# MINUTES OF THE GEORGIA COMPOSITE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS, SOCIAL WORKERS AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS

January 12, 2007

The Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers and Marriage and Family Therapists met on Friday, January 12, 2007, at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia with the following members present:

### MEMBERS PRESENT

Jan Ligon, CSW, Chair Patricia Harwell, MFT, Vice Chair Javel Jackson, LPC G. William Quarterman, LPC William Carlos Jackson, MFT Janet H. Lenard, CSW Eric Groh, LPC

#### MEMBERS ABSENT

Helen W. Coale, CSW Gene T. Schrader

#### STAFF PRESENT

Becky Boyd, Executive Director Sandy Stembridge, Applications Specialist Carol White, Board Secretary Patricia Downing, Assistant Attorney General

#### **GUESTS**

Dawn Collinge, President LPCA Gail Macke, Executive Director LPCA Sue Fort, NASW

This meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 9:35 a.m. motion Quarterman, seconded Harwell, and the Board voted to enter into **Executive Session** in accordance with O.C.G.A. 43-1-2-(k) and 43-1-19(h) to deliberate on applications and enforcement matters and to receive information on applications and investigative reports. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Board members Ligon, W. Jackson, J. Jackson, Lenard and Groh. The Board **concluded Executive Session** in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the public session.

### ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL'S REPORT

Patricia Downing, Assistant Attorney General, reported on the cases in the Attorney General's office.

#### INVESTIVATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

COMP060003	Case closed by vote of the Board
COMP060015	Case closed by vote of the Board
COMP060044	Case closed by vote of the Board
COMP070020	Case closed by vote of the Board

### VOTE ON INVESTIGATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Motion Groh, seconded Harwell and motion carried, to accept the report of the Investigations Committee.

#### VOTE ON THE ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL REPORT

Motion Quarterman, seconded Lenard and motion carried, to accept the report of the Assistant Attorney General.

### THE BOARD MOVED TO ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING REPORTS:

Motion Harwell, seconded Lenard and motion carried, to accept the **Marriage and Family Therapy Standards Report.** 

## ASSOCIATE MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS

**EXAM** 

Yee, Nelda	Denied
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# ASSOCIATE MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS CONTRACT AFFIDAVIT

Ferguson, Rebecca Approved	
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### MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS

**EXAM** 

Miller, Mary Ann	Approved
Willer, Wary Ami	Approved

# MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS

#### **EXAM WAIVER**

Copeland-Taveras, Brenda	Approved
Grant, Alicia	Pending
Stevens-Kirby, Monica	Approved

# MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS

### **ENDORSEMENT**

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Bryant, Victoria	Denied

# Motion Quarterman, seconded Groh and motion carried, to accept the **Licensed Professional Counselors Standards Report.**

# ASSOCIATE PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS

#### **EXAM**

Banimohammadi, Mina	Approved
Coats, Mary	Approved
Jones, Vanessa	Approved
Mazarin, Jade	Approved
Shoemaker, Samuel	Approved
Tidwell, William	Approved
Turner, Michele	Approved
White, Kandis	Approved

## ASSOCIATE PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS

### EXAM WAIVER

Barnett, Amanda	Approved
Carter, Tiffany	Approved
Epting, Andrea	Approved
Fletcher, Donjanca	Approved
Gooding, Jewell	Approved
Hessel, Stephanie	Approved
Kelly, Louise	Approved
Marmon, Ellen	Approved
Peck, Carl	Approved
Peynado, Sandra	Approved
Rossin, Vernon	Approved
Temple, Michell	Approved

# ASSOCIATE PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS

# CONTRACT AFFIDAVIT

Burgess, Geri	Approved
Copeland, Cynthia	Approved
DeCristina, Monica	Approved
Dunsha, Patricia	Approved
Dykeman, Cris	Approved
Grubbs, Marcia	Approved
Higgins, Nancy	Approved
McCarthy, Kelly	Approved
McDuffie, Christopher	Approved
Mitchell, Dionne	Approved
Middleton, Tina	Approved

Patton, Iketia	Approved
Pierce, Melody	Approved
Pottinger, Deborah,	Denied
Roberson, Aretha	Approved
Rover, Laxanderia	Approved
Viola, Sophia	Approved
Wilkerson, Bereatha	Approved
Yee, Nelda	Approved

# ASSOCIATE PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS INTERNSHIP VERIFICATION

Frazier, Dana Approved	
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### LPC EXAM

Denied
Denied
Approved
Denied
Approved
Denied
Approved

# LPC EXAM WAIVER

Agbasi, Florence	Approved
Brady, Pamela	Approved
Brookins, Stephanie	Denied
Cowart, Susan	Approved
Deutsch, Kimberly	Denied
Greene, Elizabeth	Denied
Hale, Lori	Approved
Hall, Kim	Approved
Helms, Jennifer	Denied
Huesman, Michelle	Denied
Hunter, Adrian	Approved
Jennings, Jessica	Approved
Johnson, Clifford	Denied
McCoy, Thomas	Denied
Meador, Patti	Approved
Miller, Susan	Denied
Patrick, Lisa	Denied
Pender, Carlotta	Denied

Perry, Sally	Denied
Reed, Candace	Approved
Reese, Cynthia	Denied
Ruffner, RoseMary	Approved
Sanders, Elissa	Approved
Suprina, Joffrey	Approved
Thames, Jamie	Approved
Weathers, Corie	Denied
Wells,Phoebe	Approved

### LPC ENDORSEMENT

Kallmann, Kathy	Approved
Smith, Shirley	Approved
Thompson, Jill	Approved

# LPC REINSTATEMENT

Wesley, Robin	Denied
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Motion Lenard, seconded Harwell, and motion carried, to accept the **Social Workers Standards Report.** 

# MASTERS SOCIAL WORKER

### **EXAM**

Graham, Lisa	Approved
Keller, Kelly	Approved
Kennedy, Shakira	Approved
Krishnamurthy, Shobhana	Denied
Mendez, Ivelisse	Approved
Molden, John	Approved
Phillips, Valerie	Approved
Raughton, Jonathan	Approved
Schroeder, Cary	Approved
Shivers, Guy	Approved
Short, Regina	Approved
Warfield-Kirklon, Ida	Approved

# MSW EXAM WAIVER

Bodie, Marlea	Approved
Byrne, Joanne	Approved
Edwards, Maureen	Approved
Moore-Brown, LaParisienne	Denied
Watson, Linda	Approved

### MSW REINSTATEMENT

Sexton, Terri	Approved
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### MSW 90 DAY WAVIER/EXAM

Willis, Kelly   Approved	Willis, Kelly	Approved
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### CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER

#### **EXAM**

Arnold, Barbara	Approved
Barrett, Paula	Approved
Cooper, Jane	Approved
Higgins-Harris, Ethel	Approved
Kenney, Brent	Approved
Kooker, Jennifer	Approved
Richards, Audrey	Approved
Roberson, Kimberly	Approved
Rotenberg, Megan	Approved
Sheppard, Sally	Denied
Sullivan, Agnes	Approved
Todd, Curtis	Approved
Wood, Alicia	Approved

### **CSW EXAM WAIVER**

Approved
Approved
Denied
Denied
Approved
Approved
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Denied
Denied
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Approved
Denied

### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Ms. Boyd went over the elections rules and process for the election of Chair and Vice-Chair with the Board members. Ms. Boyd stated Ms. Karen Handel; Secretary of State is coming to the Macon office to meet everyone in January 2007.

#### **MINUTES**

Motion Harwell, seconded W. Jackson and motion carried, to approve the minutes as amended of the December 8, 2006 meeting.

#### **RULES REVISION**

Jan Ligon, Board Chair, presented Rule 135-5-.02, 135-5-.04 and 135-5.06 for Posting to adopt at the March 9, 2007 meeting and the Board voted that the formulation and adoption of Rule 135-5-.02, 135-5-.04 and 135-5-.06 does not impose excessive regulatory cost on any licensee and any cost to comply with the proposed rule cannot be reduced by a less expensive alternative that fully accomplishes the objective of O.C.G.A. §43-1-25, 43-10A, 43-10A-11, 43-10A-12, 43-10A-13 and 43-1-7.

It is not legal or feasible to meet the objectives of O.C.G.A. §43-1-25, 43-10A-5, 43-10A-11, 43-10A-12, 43-10A-13 and 43-1-7 to adopt or implement differing actions for businesses as listed at O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(3)(A), (B), (C) and (D). The formulation and adoption of this rule will impact every licensee in the same manner and each licensee is independently licensed, owned and operated and dominant in the fields of Professional Counseling, Social Work, and Marriage and Family Therapy.

Motion Harwell, seconded Groh and motion carried to post the changes to Rule 135-5-.02, 135-5-.04 and 135-5-.06.

#### **ELECTION OF CHAIR/VICECHAIR**

Nominations for Chair were opened.

Motion Quarterman, Seconded J. Jackson and motion carried, to nominate Eric Groh for the position of Chair.

Motion J. Jackson, seconded Harwell and motion carried to, close nominations.

Eric Groh was elected Chair unanimously.

Nominations for Vice-Chair were opened.

Motion W. Jackson, seconded Ligon and motion carried to nominate Janet Lenard for the position of Vice-Chair.

Motion Ligon, seconded Harwell and motion carried, to close nominations.

Janet Lenard was elected Vice-Chair unanimously.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion Quarterman, seconded Harwell and motion carried, to adjourn the meeting at 2:11 p.m.

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Jan Ligon, CSW, Chair GEORGIA COMPOSITE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS, SOCIAL WORKERS, AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS Becky Boyd, Executive Director PROFESSIONAL LICENSING BOARDS DIVISION

Minutes approved February 9, 2007.

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Recorded and prepared by Carol White, Board Secretary, and Sandy Stembridge, Applications Specialist.

Edited by Becky Boyd, Executive Director.